

Submarine Tangle As Far As Ever From Settlement

Plan to Leave Whole Question to
Later International Confer-
ence Gains Favor

Shantung Crisis

Japan Will Make No Further Con-
cessions, and Neither
Will China

(By The Associated Press.)

Washington, Dec. 27.—The submarine controversy has revealed so wide a difference of opinion among the powers that the arms delegates are seriously discussing a plan to leave the whole question of auxiliary warship tonnage to a later international conference.

So far, consideration of the project has been entirely informal with conference leaders outwardly reflecting the hope that the present negotiations may yet bring the submarine problem to a solution. In many quarters, however, there are growing signs of disquiet over the prospect and an accompanying tendency to examine carefully the possibilities of the post-ponement plan.

In highest American official circles, it was said today that a concrete proposal for a future conference might be laid before the arms delegates within a few days. President Harding was said to feel that such a conference would be a logical development of his policy of international consultation, and it was indicated that he had communicated his desires to the American delegation.

The negotiations over Shantung also took on a more serious aspect during the day when the Japanese after the receipt of fresh instructions from Tokyo, let it be known that they were not prepared to make any further concessions in their exchanges with the Chinese over return of the Tsingtao-Tientsin railroad. The Chinese already have declared they can go no further toward a compromise.

Meanwhile, the new four-power Pacific treaty, already signed by the United States, Great Britain, Japan and France, goes back into conference discussions through the suggestion from Japanese quarters that the four powers agree not to apply the terms of the pact to the principal islands of the Japanese empire. Because of differences in view developing in the United States and Japan as to the meaning of the treaty, the Japanese were said to be considering the suggestion of such an interpretation agreement.

An interpretation not applying the treaty to the major Japanese islands would be a reversal of the understanding to have existed among the delegations when the treaty was signed. It would be averse to the interpretation announced by the American delegation, but in harmony with that voiced by President Harding.

Another suggestion involving international political considerations came during the day from French circles. It was a hint, advanced informally, that France might be willing to agree to a status quo limitation of submarine strength if the other powers would join with her in a treaty designed to preserve peace in European waters.

tentatively embodied, such a treaty would be similar in purpose to that just concluded to cover the Pacific and would have as its signatories, France, Great Britain, Italy and Germany. Should they desire to do so, it was said, the United States and Japan might also participate in the agreement, although the inclusion of Germany expressly, would be considered indispensable.

Continuing Conferences Favored.

In the deliberations of the sub-divisions of the conference, there appeared to be a growing tendency to have details of the Washington negotiations to be worked out by continuing commissions who would report to the various foreign offices or prime conferences.

The President, it was said by administration officials, would be much disappointed if the Washington conference adjourned without a definite agreement on similar negotiations in the future. Should no agreement on auxiliary craft be possible here, it was declared, Mr. Harding would call a conference on that subject which would be an integral part of the unfinished Washington negotiations.

Whether an agreement is to be reached on naval auxiliaries of any type is regarded as depending on a favorable solution of the submarine question, because if France and Japan insist on building more underwater craft than are proposed for them under the American plan, other powers will be disposed to add to their payables a disproportionate tonnage of various classes of anti-submarine vessels.

Won't Support French Claim.

In Japanese quarters, it was emphasized tonight that the Japanese delegation was not in a position to support the claims of France to a 30,000 tonnage submarine. Japan, it was said, objected to the American

plan solely from the viewpoint of her own national interests, which she felt required the maintenance of 54,000 tons of submarines instead of the 31,000 she would have under the American plan.

"We are not aiding France," said Vice Foreign Minister Hanhara of the Japanese delegation tonight. "We adhere to the original American proposal, which gives Japan 54,000 tons of submarines. We do not care what England and France may have in submarines. The question now is whether we are ready to come into some new arrangement."

Mr. Hanhara said that although his delegation had heard from the Japanese foreign office concerning Shantung, further cable correspondence would be necessary before an answer could be held. He explained that the Japanese press was of the opinion that the agreement proposed by Japan in connection with the restoration of the railroad to China would represent the limit of Japanese concessions.

French Won't Accept, Is Report.

Washington, Dec. 27.—Instructions of the French government on the submarine question, reached at a meeting of the cabinet today, were received tonight by the French delegation to the Washington conference and while their nature was not announced, it was said in responsible circles after M. Sarraut, head of the delegation, and Admiral de Bon, had conferred with Secretary Hughes, that France would not accept the American suggestion for her to maintain the status quo in submarines.

TENTATIVE DRAFT OF NEW CHINESE TARIFF

Washington, Dec. 27.—Under the tentative draft of an agreement presented today by Chairman Underwood of the subcommittee of the Washington conference which is charged with revision of the Chinese tariff with a view to its yielding increased revenue, China would be permitted to levy an import duty of an effective five per cent. for the present and 12 per cent. duty at a later date to be decided upon. Action on the tentative draft was deferred until tomorrow.

The plan represents a compromise between the Japanese and British opposed views and meets, in a measure, the American viewpoint that a 12 per cent. tariff ultimately be levied. The Chinese delegation recently proposed that China be permitted a 12 per cent. tariff beginning January 1, 1922, containing this amount would be required to afford immediate financial relief to the Chinese government.

The Japanese submitted themselves as being unwilling to go this far and the utmost they could concede would be an effective five per cent. instead of the present nominal 5 per cent. which nets only 3 1/2 per cent.

Under the plan said to be proposed by the British, China would be permitted to levy a 7 1/2 per cent. duty, while the American delegates favor an immediate 12 per cent. in accordance with China's request.

In Chinese circles tonight it was said unofficially that the tentative agreement submitted today was not satisfactory but it was intimated that the delegation might regard it as the part of wisdom to accept it and trust to favorable action by the commission which is expected to be set up to study China's tariff needs.

TRUTH AT LAST OF THE BRIAND-SCHANZER CASE

(By The Associated Press.)

Washington, Dec. 27.—Somewhat belated, but from an authentic source, today came the story of just what occurred in the meeting of the committee of the arms conference, which with closed doors was hearing Premier Briand's statement regarding the French position on the subject of land armament. It was an erroneous account of this incident, which was reported by a European special writer that led to fatal riots in Italy.

According to this version, Mr. Briand brought the subject of reduction of land armament before the conference, committed Senator Schanzer, speaking for Italy, had given the Briand proposition earnest support in principle at least. Then M. Briand, in a long speech, had given the French position on the subject of land armament, as he progressed, as is his custom in speaking, he showed a great deal of heat and emphasized his statements with strong gestures. But, according to the story, it was noted that M. Briand was turning to Senator Schanzer whom he seemed to single out as the object of his address. This finally became so much that the senator said to M. Briand, what you say to me you should say to Mr. Balfour instead, because it was he that made the proposal for the reduction of land armaments.

It is positively stated that from this slight incident grew the legend that M. Briand had said harsh things to Senator Schanzer.

Oklahoma City, Dec. 27.—A stranger who represented himself as a post office inspector entered police headquarters here today, gave an officer a "narcotized cigarette," and while the latter was unconscious walked out with finger print evidence obtained by the police from a bottle of explosive used in a recent robbery of a Santa Fe mail car near Edmond, Okla.

The stranger introduced himself as "Mr. Williams." H. A. Murphy, Ber-
lition agent, produced the finger

CALLS FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT

Attorney-General Daugherty Asks
Co-operation of State Officials
During Coming Year

MUCH DUPLICATION

State and Federal Authorities
Should Get Together to Pre-
vent Double Work, He Says

Washington, Dec. 27.—Cooperation of state law enforcement officials with those of the federal government was asked by Attorney-General Daugherty in letters sent late today to the attorney-generals of the various states. Such cooperation it was maintained, would result in better and more uniform enforcement of all statutes.

Enforcement of the prohibition and the food and fuel supply laws was particularly referred to, Mr. Daugherty explained in announcing the dispatch of the letters. There was no disposition on the part of the federal government to evade responsibility, he added, but there was a feeling that the states should make every effort to enforce their laws which might be a duplication of federal statutes.

The letters also were accepted in some quarters as a step in connection with the move, recently announced, of investigating retail prices.

Mr. Daugherty suggested to the state attorney-generals that they call a conference of county prosecutors of their respective states, and if possible, to bring about a "coherent working arrangement" between them and the federal officials charged with the same enforcement functions. Such a meeting, he added, ought to be held early in the new year, that the basis of understanding could be employed to effect economies in expenditures as well as serve the real purpose of accomplishing more thorough law enforcement.

WOULD CANCEL WAR LOANS

Even Then, Allied Losses Would be
Four Times as Great as Ours,
Clarke Declares

Cleveland, Dec. 27.—That the war loans made by the United States to the allies "should be promptly and wholly cancelled," was urged by Justice John H. Clarke of the Supreme court of the United States, in an address at the weekly noonday luncheon of the Cleveland Chamber of Commerce today.

After stating that the loans aggregated about nine and one half billion dollars, and with interest now amounted to eleven billions, Justice Clarke said he would consider the proposal to cancel them, first, as a matter of friendship and justice to the nations which risked all with us and sacrificed much more than we did in support of the great common cause, and second, on the basis of cold, practical business policy.

Quoting many figures, he asserted that our losses of men were less than the loss of life by the allies and that the allies' loss in money even if we should cancel the loans would be four times as great as ours.

Justice Clarke said the debt those countries owe the United States "is a crushing burden," and that it would be an immediate stimulant to the business of the world if the debt were cancelled at once.

QUIET CHRISTMAS AT DOORN

Crown Prince Willie Pays Visit to
Former Kaiser Bill, Who
Makes Long Speech

(By The Associated Press.)

Doorn, Holland, Dec. 27.—Former Emperor William of Germany and his household celebrated their third Christmas in exile Sunday. Owing to the fact that the former imperial family is still in mourning for the former emperor, observances this year were quiet.

Former Crown Prince Frederick William, with his two sons, came to Doorn to stay with the ex-emperor during the holidays. Christmas eve, William Hohenzollern called the entire household into the hall and personally handed each of the members his Christmas present, which consisted chiefly of money.

In a long speech, the former emperor thanked "my faithful friends" for their loyalty. He explained that owing to the severe curtailment of his income he was compelled to economize and make his gifts smaller than they had been in previous years.

REAR ADMIRAL DAVIS

Washington, Dec. 27.—Rear Admiral Charles Henry Davis, retired, brother-in-law of Senator Lodge of Massachusetts, died at his home here today. He was a native of Boston and 76 years of age.

WRONG NUMBER PLATE ON BED CAUSES MUCH TROUBLE

New York, Dec. 27.—An attendant in a Brooklyn hospital picked up a number plate that had fallen to the floor and placed it on the wrong bed. The occupant of the bed died, and James Crowder, a painter, was informed his father had passed away.

Crowder bought doral plates and a casket and rented carriages for a funeral. Surely it was a sad Christmas week.

His sister was the first of those to pass by the bed at the final service. She fainted, and in a moment Crowder discovered the dead man was not his father.

A telephone call quickly brought the news that the father was still alive. Today he was recovered.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY MENTIONED IN PLOT

Man Testifies He Paid \$35,000 to
Avoid Indictment by Massa-
chusetts Prosecutor

Boston, Dec. 27.—Testimony connecting the name of District Attorney Joseph C. Pelletier of Suffolk county with the alleged extortion of money in 1916 from Meyer Berman, part-owner of a hotel in the West End, was given in the supreme court today.

Berman testified that he paid \$35,000 to Daniel H. Coakley, a Boston attorney, on one occasion to "avoid indictment" which Coakley said was threatened against him and his sons, and later paid the attorney \$15,000 under similar circumstances. He said Coakley assured him the payment of money was the best way to settle complaints made against him after the district attorney had examined the hotel register.

Subsequently, he said, he visited an attorney, who directed him to James J. McCarthy, a lawyer, who at the time was investigating Pelletier's office as a member of the grievance committee of the Boston Bar association. He said he told McCarthy the details of both transactions.

Berman testified that Coakley, in his presence, had telephoned some one whom the witness believed to be the district attorney.

"Don't indict him until you hear from me,"

United States Senator James A. Reed, senior counsel for Pelletier, said his client did not question the fact that \$35,000 had been paid to Coakley.

McCarthy, who is assisting the attorney general in the prosecution, then introduced witnesses from the Old Colony Trust company, where Coakley and Pelletier had accounts. An assistant cashier produced deposit slips showing that Coakley had deposited \$32,500 on November 6, 1916, and had withdrawn \$5,000 the next day and that on November 8 Pelletier had deposited \$5,000 in bills.

On cross examination, Senator Reed brought out that on the day Coakley made his deposit he drew a check for the full amount.

BRIAND GETS NEW LEASE ON LIFE

Government Wins Big Majority at
Close of Two Days' De-
bate in Chamber

Paris, Dec. 27.—(By The Associated Press.)—The chamber of deputies today gave the Briand government a new lease of life by the substantial majority of 177 at the close of a two days' debate over the failure last summer of the Industrial Bank of China.

The vote of confidence was given in a refusal to appoint a commission to investigate alleged irregularities in this connection, in addition to the pending court procedure. Premier Briand was aggressively attacked by the opposition, and as aggressively defended himself.

The Premier explained the circumstances under which Philippe Berthelot, general secretary of the foreign office, whose resignation yesterday was precipitated by the previous debate in the chamber on this subject, had intervened to aid the bank, which was headed by Andre Berthelot, his brother. The Premier said he regretted deeply that M. Berthelot had seen fit to resign. He absolved M. Berthelot absolutely.

Minister of Justice Bonnevay announced that if the tribunal found sufficient evidence to justify prosecution, the charges would be vigorously pressed.

NEW YORKER BELIEVED SLATED FOR BERLIN POST

Washington, Dec. 27.—Selection of a successor to Brand Whitlock, as ambassador to Belgium, has been made by President Harding and it was learned today that the diplomatic query as to the acceptability of the new man has already been put before the Belgian government.

It was reported several weeks ago and not officially denied that Henry P. Fletcher, under-secretary of state, would go to the Belgian capital as ambassador after the close of the arms conference.

The name of Rep. Alanson B. Houghton of New York has been mentioned repeatedly in connection with the appointment of an ambassador to Germany, and New York Republicans are understood to have rejected assurances that Mr. Houghton would be named.

DEBS SAYS HE STILL FIGHTS CAPITALISTS

"They Shall Find No Comfort as
Long as There Is Breath
in My Body"

MAKES FIRST SPEECH

Reprimanded by Washington Po-
liceman After Address De-
nouncing All War

New York, Dec. 27.—In a message to Socialists, made public tonight, Eugene V. Debs declared his release from Alcatraz penitentiary on Christmas Day was due to the loyal support he had received from American Socialists, the message said:

"My lips are not sealed and my movements are not curtailed. I am an enemy to the capitalist class and in me they shall find no comfort as long as there is breath in my body."

"The administration that put me in prison knew that and that is why I was there. The present administration also knew it and kept me there."

"I owe my liberty today to the loyal and devoted comrades who have worked tirelessly in behalf of the liberty which causes this country was supposed to have been founded."

"The whole world is in travail. The only people in the world who have the power and intelligence to rectify the conditions and lighten the burdens that the working class carries are the Socialists—are those people who understand history and are committed to a definite, scientific social program which, if effected, would abolish capitalism and its attendant evils."

Makes Speech at Washington

Washington, Dec. 27.—Eugene V. Debs, Socialist leader, was reprimanded tonight by union station police for making a speech without a permit before leaving for his home in Terre Haute, Ind.

Before boarding his train, Debs addressed a crowd of several hundred persons in the station, including admirers who had come to say good-by, expressing gratitude for his reception in Washington and closing with a reiteration of his opposition to war and belief in the force of love in the redemption of the world.

No effort was made by uniformed police in the crowd to interfere with the address but immediately upon its conclusion a plainclothesman rushed up to Debs and demanded if he had a permit to speak in the station, and upon being informed in the negative, he declared:

"You have taken a great liberty."

Debs, who had grasped the plainclothesman by the hand under the impression that he was a well-wisher, apologized and said he had not known he was doing wrong.

Excitement in Crowd.

Debs went immediately to his train, but considerable excitement prevailed in the crowd, due chiefly to the efforts of newspapermen to learn the identity of the plainclothesman. He refused to give his name but declared he was the chief of police of the union station and flashed a badge pinned to his belt. He said he had had no special orders with respect to Debs but the regulations of the station forbade speech-making without a permit.

Debs' speech was his first platform utterance since leaving prison. He declared that he left Washington "without a trace of bitterness or hatred," adding that "they may hate me," but that they were entitled to their feelings and the expression of them. He believed in free speech," he said.

"In the expression of these differing opinions we find our way to higher civilization."

He paid tributes to figures in history who had, he declared, the courage of their convictions, although forced to sacrifice much of them, and referred to Washington, Jefferson and Thomas Payne.

Human Life Is Sacred.

"With every drop of blood in my veins," he concluded, "I am opposed to war. Human life is too sacred a thing to be spent in bloodshed. Love is the greatest force in this world. We will redeem us, love will save us and write our names in the depths of civilization."

Urban LeDoux, who once said labor on an auction block on Boston Common and later picketed the "conscience of the arms delegates" here, today presented Debs with the lighted lantern as "an honest man."

Like Diogenes, he said, he had been carrying the lantern in search of an honest man. "But since I have met you," LeDoux said, "I have no further use for it."

Debs accepted the lantern with thanks but declared himself unworthy. Debs announced his determination to obtain, if possible, a vote from every man, woman and child in this country, and every country which might visit that they refuse to take up arms and go to war. But until world relations undergo a reformation, he asserted, wars would continue.

"There will be war," he said, "in some form, and war growing progressively more and more destructive, until a complete world war has been transformed into a cooperative world, every war for trade sooner or later and inevitably becomes a war of blood."

Believes President Opposes War.

Debs expressed the opinion that President Harding was against all wars, but described the President as the representative of a system that made war possible. The arms confer-

LAFOLLETTE ASSAILS FARM ORGANIZATION

Charges They Held Secret Confer-
ence With "Big Interests;"
Denial Is Made

Washington, Dec. 27.—Charges were made by Senator LaFollette, Republican of Wisconsin, in a formal statement issued today, that representatives of the railroads and of the coal, steel and lumber interests, at a "secret" meeting in Washington, December 8, attempted to obtain from farm organization leaders and did obtain from some such leaders, adherence to an agreement not to push legislation to repeal the commonly-called guaranty section of the transportation act and to restore state control of state railroads.

The Wisconsin senator made his charges in elaboration on his assertion that "a plan is now afoot to perpetuate the fundamental provisions of the transportation act, embodied in Section 15-A (the guaranty section of which a portion expires next March 1) and to render permanent and intolerable conditions which have made the transportation system for the past two years an instrument for the exploitation of the American people."

In substantiation of his charges, Mr. LaFollette made public what he described as "a brief report of the action of the conference" held here December 9, which he branded as "a conspiracy to betray not only the farmers but the consuming and producing millions of the nation." This report was made public by the senator without an explanation of its source.

Denial by Farm Bureau Official

Cleveland, Ohio, Dec. 27.—Denial that there was anything "secret and unholy" at the Washington conference, December 8, attended by members of the Farm Bureau and other organizations, as charged by Senator LaFollette, was made here tonight by James R. Howard, president of the American Farm Bureau federation.

"Early in the conference an attempt was made to get an agreement to oppose the Capper bill, which repealed the guaranty clause of the Cullinan-Esch bill and reestablish the powers of the states in intrastate matters," Mr. Howard said. "The farm representatives objected to this standing firm for the repeal of all guaranteed returns and the integrity of state commissions."

"Matters pertaining to reduced labor and other operating costs were discussed, as well as the Railroad Labor board, but no attempt to reach an agreement was made."

"The ten percent reduction which the railroads voluntarily granted as a result of this conference will save the farmers approximately \$100,000,000 during the next six months. Senator LaFollette is reported to favor government ownership and operation of railroads. The American Farm Bureau federation has already advocated private ownership and operation."

TOO POOR TO MARRY COMMITTED SUICIDE

New Jersey Youth and Sweet-
heart Take Their Lives
by Poison

Passaic, N. J., Dec. 27.—Too poor to marry. That was the reason that impelled Thomas Brands, 18, and his sweetheart, Malinda Rist, 17, to take their lives by poison here early today, the boy told the police at the General hospital, before he died.

Thomas was employed as a clerk by a local mill and the girl was a stenographer.

The boy and girl met about a year ago, and soon became fast friends. They wished to marry, but decided that the way out of the question, for financial reasons, was to commit suicide. They planned to make it Christmas day, but, loath to bring grief to their families on such a holiday, they waited until this morning.

A visit to a corner drug store, purchase of poison with which to "kill a dog," and they went to the girl's home. It was shortly after midnight that the girl staggered into her mother's room, suffering from convulsions. While an ambulance surgeon was working on her, young Brands entered, in a similar condition. They were taken to the same ambulance to the hospital, where they died within two hours.

ence, he contended, was significant only in that it was a recognition of the cost of warfare and an effort to reduce expense instead of eliminating the cause.

Article in behalf of objects still imprisoned for violation of war laws, Debs declared, would be undertaken as soon as possible. As for himself, he said, he harbored no resentment because of his imprisonment.

Debs still wore his prison issue clothes and declared his intention of returning home in them and of wearing them for some time.

"Take the wrinkles on my face," he said "they have cost me something."

Home Town Prepares Welcome

Terre Haute, Ind., Dec. 27.—Terre Haute is swarming with Socialists today, leaders of the organization from all parts of the country assembling here as the advance guard of the thousands expected to welcome Eugene V. Debs on his arrival from Washington Wednesday afternoon.

Phil K. Heinhold, chairman of the local committee in charge of the plans, said today there would be 25,000 men and women in the parade.

A mass meeting was held tonight as a tribute to Debs and to afford an opportunity for the gathering hosts to give vent to their feelings for their leader. Several prominent Socialists, including editors of Socialist publications, spoke.

MOVIE FANS PAY BILLION A YEAR

Investment in Industry Tot.
About \$250,000,000, With
250,000 Persons Employed

BIG SALARIES DENIED

96 Per Cent Receive Only "Liv-
ing Wage," Senate Finance
Committee Is Told

Washington, Dec. 27.—The American people spend from \$750,000,000 to \$1,000,000,000 a year to see motion picture shows, the senate finance committee was told today in the course of arguments for and against a big tariff on foreign-made pictures. The investment in the industry totals about \$250,000,000 and employment is given to about 250,000 persons.

Paul M. Turner of New York speaking for the Actor's Equity Association, testified that the idea that everybody connected with the industry "made big money" was erroneous that 96 per cent. of those engaged in making films received only "a living wage."

Mr. Turner and John Emerson, an independent producer, speaking for himself and for D. W. Griffith, urged a duty on imported films of from 5 to 10 per cent, ad valorem in place of the 30 per cent. in the Fordney bill. They said the industry was in bad shape, with many studios and a large number of the 15,000 motion picture theatres over the country closed.

German-Made Films

Declaring that only a high tariff stood between the industry and extermination, Mr. Turner added that at this time 54 German-made pictures were being exhibited in this country and that four or five of these had yielded the exhibitors \$2,500,000. American producers cannot compete with the Germans, he said, adding that pictures which cost from \$200,000 to \$300,000 to produce in this country could be made in Germany for from \$10,000 to \$12,000.

Saul F. Rogers of New York, speaking for the National Association of the Motion Picture Industry, opposed the duty in the Fordney bill, urging that the present rate of three cents a foot be retained. He declared that only a few foreign films and those depicting great spectacles had been successful in this country.

An attack on the Eastman Kodak Company featured the hearings. Mr. Rogers, William A. DeFord, counsel for the International Film Service Company, Inc., Frederic R. Coudert of New York, counsel for Pathe Exchange Inc., and other witnesses, charged that the Eastman company through a monopoly of the "raw" film product would be able to control the picture industry if imports were shut out. They consequently opposed the 20 per cent. ad valorem duty on "raw" films proposed in the Fordney bill.

ROOSEVELT URGED WAR WITH SPAIN

Advocated it Five Weeks Before
McKinley Issued Proclama-
tion, Letter Reveals

New York, Dec. 27.—Former President Theodore Roosevelt advised declaration of war on Spain five weeks before President McKinley issued the proclamation, it was revealed today in one of Roosevelt's letters, made public by William Boyce Thompson, president of the Roosevelt Memorial association.

Writing to Captain Robley Evans on March 15, 1898, Roosevelt, then assistant secretary of the navy, characterized the sailing of the Spanish flotilla for Cuba as an obvious preparation for war against the United States. His letter, in part, follows:

"No one shall see your letter, which I have this minute received; but I shall go in and speak to the secretary as strongly as I know how. I have been some days advising exactly as you advise in your letter, but only as to the admiral, but as to the Spanish torpedo catchers and as to the need of picket boats for our fleet, and to the United States yesterday that we ought to treat the sailing of those Spanish torpedo catchers exactly as a European power would the mobilizing of a hostile army on its frontier."

"As to yourself, I have spoken to the secretary again and again about you, and I can't help believing that you will be given the command not only of a ship but of a squadron as soon as hostilities arise."

NEW YORK ALDERMEN REFUSE MONEY FOR TRANSIT FIGHT

New York, Dec. 27.—In the face of a last-minute appeal for its approval by President F. H. LaGuardia, the board of aldermen today voted down a proposed appropriation of \$100,000 to fight Governor Miller's transit commission in the interest of home rule for New York City.

The outgoing president's declaration in favor of the appropriation came during the last session of the present board, which expires at the end of the year.

Addressing his Republican colleagues, Mr. LaGuardia warned that they would lose the confidence of the people unless they joined the home rule fight.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of this bank for the election of directors and inspectors for election for the ensuing year and for such other business as may properly come before such meeting will be held at the banking house, No. 237 Market street, on Tuesday, January 10, 1900.

Otsego County News

MORE FROM LAURENS.

Methodist Society Increases Board of Trustees—Other M. E. Notes.
Laurens, Dec. 27.—At the annual meeting for the purpose of electing trustees of the Methodist Episcopal church held in the church Monday evening, the board of trustees was increased from five to seven. The newly elected members of the board are: L. M. Gardner, W. C. Aldrich and Mrs. Frank Peck.

December Supper.

The December supper of the Ladies' aid society of the Methodist church will be held Wednesday evening, Dec. 28th, commencing at 5:30 o'clock and continuing until all are served.

Sunday School Officers.

At the recent election of Sunday school officers of the Methodist church, S. C. Millard was elected Superintendent and Levi Platt, Assistant. Marian Hopkins, Secretary; Clara Eldred, Treasurer; Marietta G. Paul, Chorister; Bertha Irish, Organist.

Quarterly Service.

Sunday, January 1, Rev. James A. Tenney, D. D., of Oneonta, District Superintendent, will preach at 10:30 o'clock. The morning service will be followed by the quarterly conference of the parsonage. This is the last quarterly conference of the year and a large attendance is desired.

Personal Mention.

Rev. D. E. Myers of Mt. Vision was guest at the Methodist parsonage Tuesday.—Marie Klint of the College of Fine Arts, Cornell University, Ithaca, N. Y., is a guest of her parents or a few days.—M. J. Nutt, a former resident of this place but now of the state of Delaware, was a recent guest of S. C. Millard.—Mrs. Christina Gray, who recently went to San Diego, California, to spend the winter, writes friends that the winter is unusually cold and much discomfort is experienced.

performed for so warm a climate.—Bertha Irish is spending the week with her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Irish, in Schenectady. Mrs. G. C. Jacobs will leave in a few days for Elmira to visit her brother, Merritt O. Utley.—The Christmas exercises at the Methodist and Presbyterian churches were well attended and excellent programs were rendered.—The funeral of the late William Mulkins was held from the home on Main street Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Burial was in Laurens cemetery.—Mrs. W. A. Widger, who had been in Binghamton several weeks caring for her daughter, who has been ill, returned home yesterday her daughter accompanying her.—Howard Miner of Buffalo University Dental college is the guest of his father on Main street.

Attend Party at Mt. Vision.
Several automobiles well filled with young people motored to Mt. Vision Monday evening to witness a school play in the Grange hall. On the return trip the Klints' Dordier car was stranded by the road-side, which gave the occupants an opportunity to study astronomy and the beauties of nature, the temperature hovering around zero.

LAURENS LEAFLET.

Burton Eldred Chosen Grange Master—Church Supper Tonight.
Laurens, Dec. 27.—At the meeting of Laurens Grange last Friday night the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Master, Burton Eldred; overseer, C. Klint; lecturer, Bertha Green; steward, John Carter; assistant steward, William Rotaling; chaplain, Billie Strain; treasurer, Alfred Johnson; gatekeeper, Merritt Clark; Ceres, Delia Clark; Pomona, Alice Platt; Flora, Bertha Carter; lady assistant, Carrie Rotaling.

Home for Christmas.

Among those home for Christmas we notice George Platt, Alton and Leah Platt, with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Platt, Miss Blanche Cook, with her father, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Casey and son and Miss Julia Winsor, at Dr. Winsor's; Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Wilson, with Mr. and Mrs. George Keith; Miss Winifred

Cates, with Mr. and Mrs. VanDyke; Mr. and Mrs. F. Clark and children, with Mr. and Mrs. A. Clark; Howard Miner, with L. T. Miner; Richard and Angus Kirkgaard and Mr. and Mrs. Gambs with Rev. Kirkgaard; Lawrence Strong with T. M. Strong; Floyd Strain, with R. Strain; Marjorie Widger, with W. B. Widger; Rena Dordier, with M. Dordier, and Dagmar Christensen with Rev. Christensen.

Church Supper and Election.
The ladies of the Methodist church will serve a supper in the church annex Wednesday night, after which there will be an election of officers of the Ladies' Aid society for the coming year.

Electric Lights Installed.
Houses recently wired for electric lights include the homes of G. Arthur Strain, Mrs. Carrie Whitman, Orson Tilley, Frank Herring, Jesse Ferguson, W. H. Widger and the Methodist parsonage.

IN THE BUTTERNUT VALLEY.

Annual Masonic Ball Thursday Evening—Concert Precedes Dance.
Morris, Dec. 27.—The annual Masonic ball of Tienuderrah lodge, F. & A. M., will be held Thursday evening of this week at the Parish house. A concert will be given by the orchestra before the dance. Full bill, \$1.75; concert, 25 cents; supper, 50 cents; dancing, 10.00. Spectators to the dance will be charged 25 cents.

Movies Soon to Start Again.
The moving picture machine which was sent to a firm in New York for repairs and fixtures installed so electric light could be used instead of gas, has been returned and will soon be installed and the pictures started again.

Visits Old Home Friends.
John Fay of the merchant marine service of New York, formerly of Morris, spent Christmas with his son, who is living with Clayton Platts, and wife at Maple Grove, and called on his old friends in Morris.

Up From New York.
Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Fox of New York visited the past week with Mrs. Fox's mother, Mrs. George Ford, and sister, Mrs. Bryan Daniels, in Dimock Hollow. Mr. Fox as a boy lived in Morris.

A Happy Girl Christmas.
Little Miss Thelma Leska had a Christmas present of a fine new piano from her father and mother. It was purchased of the Pudney Music house of Sidney. To say that she was very

much surprised is putting it very mildly. She was the happiest girl in Morris.

Moving Back to the Village.
Leroy Knickerbocker and wife, who have been living and working for Mr. Mead on the McWilliams farm just off the state road near the cemetery, have quit work there and are moving into K. R. Ripley's tenant house in the rear of the town house.

News and Otherwise.
Ora Backus and wife spent Christmas with Mrs. Backus' niece, Mrs. Murdoch, in Oneonta; also Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Hewell took their Christmas dinner with their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Hewell.—Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hay visited with relatives in Paddy Creek over Christmas.—Miss Ethel Winton, a teacher in New Jersey, is spending her Christmas vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Winton—Leon Leggett, a former Morris boy, now of Webster, is visiting relatives and friends in Morris.—Leonard Sanderson of Buffalo spent Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Sanderson.—Rev. and Mrs. H. E. Brooks and child are spending the week with friends in Hamilton.—Donald Cossart, a student of Syracuse University, is spending the holiday vacation with his parents, Superintendent and Mrs. Harrison Cossart.—M. R. Porter and family of Schenectady are spending the Christmas vacation at their Morris home with Mrs. O. A. Edwards on South Board street.

MIDDLEFIELD NEWS.

Christian Endeavor Rounds Out Year with Shadow Social.
Middlefield, Dec. 27.—The Christian Endeavor society of the Baptist church will hold a Shadow social in the church parlors Dec. 31. All are invited to come and enjoy the evening.

Holiday Visitors.
Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Niles and daughter, Marion, of Little Falls, are being entertained at the home of the daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Roberts.—Mrs. Mattie Crumb of Norwich is with Rev. and Mrs. J. G. Price for a short visit.—Mr. and Mrs. Harry Parshall and Mr. and Mrs. Jay North spent Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jerry North.—Bertrand Roberts and son, Carlton, and Mr. and Mrs. Walter Gray of Davenport, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mulkins and daughter, Pauline, Mrs. Alvin Loyd of Cooperstown, Burdette Hubbell and family and Mr. and Mrs. George Snyder were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Noah Hubbell Sunday.—Mr. Hendrick spent the week-end with his family.—Clarence Burton and family were Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Simmons, Cooperstown.—Mr. and Mrs. William Adrich and daughter, Gladys and Alma, of Laurens are enjoying the holiday season with relatives and friends in town.

Christmas Entertainment.
The Christmas entertainment held in the Methodist Episcopal church Saturday evening was well attended and much enjoyed by all. Much credit is due the teachers of the school as the scholars were well drilled. Santa was present, adding much to the merriment of the occasion.

WEEK IN WEST LAURENS.
Grange Christmas Tree and Meeting Tuesday Evening.
West Laurens, Dec. 27.—The West Laurens Grange held its Grange meeting and Christmas tree Tuesday evening, Dec. 27, at the hall.

Birth.
Born to Mr. and Mrs. James Ingram a daughter, Sunday, Dec. 11, which has been named Dorothy Helen.

Home for Holidays.
Miss Cobb, who is attending Columbia college in New York, is spending the Christmas vacation with her friend, Mrs. Howard Naylor.—Mrs. Loretta Herring is spending the week with her cousin, Miss Myrtle Eldred at Oneonta.—Miss Christine Dyer, cashier of Wilder's store at Oneonta, is at her home here recuperating from a severe attack of grip and bronchitis.—The West Laurens Grange will meet with Mrs. H. G. Strait, Thursday, Dec. 29, at 2 o'clock.

Surprise for Mr. and Mrs. Lull.
Several relatives and friends surprised Mr. and Mrs. Fred J. Lull Friday evening, Dec. 23, when they gathered at their home to celebrate their twenty-fifth anniversary. About 10:30

friends will congratulate them and wish for them a long life of wedded happiness.

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OTHERS FOR TODAY WILL INCLUDE
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COMING TOMORROW
William Fox presents
PEARL WHITE
In a drama of a woman's weakness and strength
"KNOW YOUR MEN"
The drama of a girl's awakening to the realities of life and its hardships just when she was happiest. When the blow falls, it carries with it her father, her fortune and even the man she loves.
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City.

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May I take this opportunity of congratulating you on your latest special picture play, "A Man's Home"? This superb work should surely take its place as one of the great screen successes, and rank with such works as "Over the Hill," "The Muscle Man," "Way Down East," "Humoresque" and "The Old Nest."
Sincerely,
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After Christmas Sale

Now that the Christmas season of buying for others is a matter of history, it is a good time to supply your own needs in wearing apparel. All our Women's and Misses' Coats and Suits at about one-third less than the regular prices.

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\$45.00 up to \$49.50	\$39.50
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Sizes 6 to 14 years

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\$75.00 to \$89.50	\$55.00

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Tuesday.	
8 a. m.	26
2 p. m.	20
8 p. m.	11
Maximum 25	Minimum 11
Monday.	
8 a. m.	18
2 p. m.	26
8 p. m.	25
Maximum 30	Minimum 10

LOCAL MENTION

—The regular tuberculosis clinic will be held at the Community house Thursday afternoon from 1 to 5 p. m.

—The ice on Goodyear lake measured seven inches yesterday and fine skating is reported. With the continuance of cold weather, the Oneonta Ice and Fuel company will start their ice harvest at the lake early next week.

—In Monday's issue in referring to the installation of the officers of the Women of Abolition League, it was stated that a request for a new regent presented to the present senior regent. This should have read to the past or retiring senior regent, Mrs. Charles W. Southworth.

ST. JAMES' XMAS FESTIVAL

Pageant at Church Will Be Followed by Christmas Tree at Municipal Hall. The Christmas festival of St. James' Episcopal church school will be held this evening and will consist of two parts, the first to be given at the church at 7 o'clock and the second part to follow at Municipal hall.

Part one will be a pageant entitled "The Little Angels." The children have been practicing assiduously and will present an entertainment of rare interest. Following the pageant, part two will be given in Municipal hall and will consist of exercises centering about a Christmas tree, from which presents will later be distributed by Santa Claus.

Parents are asked to see that children appearing in the pageant are present at the church as soon after 6 o'clock as possible.

Meetings Today.

Regular meeting Veterans Firemen this evening at 7 o'clock.

The regular meeting of the W. C. T. U. will be held this afternoon at the Community house, Ford avenue, at 2:30 o'clock. The program will be in charge of Mrs. Jarvis Clarke.

The church circle of the River Street Baptist church will meet this evening at 8 o'clock in the church parlors.

Jolly Ten Embroidery club will meet this afternoon with Mrs. John B. Roney, 7 Draper street.

Regular meeting W. B. O. T. M. this evening at 7:30. Initiation.

Company G Dance Tonight.

One of the few events announced for the holiday season is the dance to be given by Company G at the armory this evening. The event has aroused considerable interest among the younger people of the city and the committee in charge is confident that there will be a large attendance.

The Kipnoche Synagogue will furnish the music, a sufficient guarantee of its excellence. The dance will be a public affair, no invitations having been issued. Tickets at \$1.10 each will be on sale at the door.

Ain't It Queer?

Everybody seems to be after money. We constantly hear and read about cheating, stealing and killing in order to get dollars. If we could hear and read as much about how I make a measly 35 cents safely chucked away each day and placed with me, safely roll up to 2000 bucks, there wouldn't be as much need for jails, poor houses and insane asylums. If people would put on a thinking cap and get in with my new big bunch of people who are going to start next month to thus roll up several million dollars, there would be less heart aches and a brighter New Year. I'm the safe and sane Oneonta Building and Loan association.

Wall Calendars at Half Price.

For this week only we are giving a 50 percent discount on all wall calendars. A large assortment of hand-colored de luxe designs. The Oneonta-Press, Inc. advt. 21

Ford Sedan for Sale

1920 model, excellent condition, good tires, one extra, will exchange for Liberty bonds or Miller-Strong Drug stock. Inquire Wednesday at Murdoch's, Market street. advt. 11

Notice.

Girls Wanted on power sewing machines. Steady work. Riverside Manufacturing company, corner Chestnut street and Ronda avenue. advt. 11

If you want to sell or exchange your property, write or phone me. I have customers for equipped dairy and poultry farms. A. J. Helyea, 105 Clinton street, Oneonta, N. Y. Phone 218-J advt. 11

The Hat Shop

Has a special sale of midwinter models of great value to the purchaser. Come and see what we have. Miss Hilton, 10 Washington street. advt. 21

1922 Buick Sedan.

With six new cord tire slip covers, heater, bumpers, stop light and other accessories. Address Buick 25, Euro Star office. advt. 31

Numerous useful and fancy articles are still on sale by the Ladies' guild of the Lutheran church. Thanks are extended to the ladies who donated articles. advt. 11

For Sale—Seven room house, electric lights, toilet, furnace, lot 63 x 300. This is an ideal place for poultry, bargain \$2,200. Square Deal Farm Agency. advt. 31

Notice—All pictures left at my shop before December 15, to be framed, must be called for by Dec. 31, next. E. W. Bolton, 55 Chestnut street. advt. 21

I have a party that wants to rent farm with 40 to 50 cows and will pay cash rent for same. Square Deal Farm Agency. advt. 31

Buick Six—Five passenger, 1920 model, fine condition, bargain at \$225. Francis Motor Sales company. advt. 21

Fancy Baldwin apples, \$3.00 per bushel, at Van Duren's, Phone 252. advt. 21

Twenty-five per cent off on all calendars. Gift and Toy shop. advt. 11

1921 HOLDS REUNION

Forty Members of Last Year's Class at Oneonta High School Reunite at Kilkenny's Restaurant.

Of the 60 members of the class of 1921 of the Oneonta High school 40 were present at the first annual reunion of the class held last evening at Kilkenny's restaurant. The affair was an eminent success, everyone evincing great satisfaction at meeting former school mates again and talking over with them the events of days spent on Christian Hill and experiences since graduation.

Dr. George J. Dunn and Principal H. G. VanDusen were present as guests of honor and spoke briefly on matters of school interest and on the pleasure and profit to be derived from such reunions. Harlow Bender, president of the class, presided as toast master after a satisfying dinner had been served. In addition to Mr. Dunn and Principal VanDusen, Albertine Parker and Edward LaReau responded to toasts.

A committee, consisting of Helen Keenan, Chairman; James Elizard and Leslie Winans, was appointed to arrange for a similar reunion next year. As far as can be learned last evening's affair was the first reunion ever held by a High school class and it is hoped by the school authorities that other classes, both past and future, will follow the lead of '21 and hold yearly get-together meetings which should do much toward quickening the interest of graduates in their Alma Mater.

KIDDIES ENJOY MATINEE

Needy Children Guests of Strand at Special Show Monday Morning—Dr. Johns Gives Address.

"Through the Back Door," featuring Mary Pickford, proved of much pleasure to the 121 needy children of the city who attended, as guests of Manager Rose, the special matinee given at the Strand on Monday morning. Following the showing of the picture, Rev. Dr. B. M. Johns of the First Methodist church gave a talk on the spirit of Christmas to the kiddies in the course of which he asked several Biblical questions which would have sorely puzzled many grownups but which the children answered with readiness and accuracy. The talk, as well as the picture, was greatly enjoyed.

The children privileged to attend the special performance were those recently entertained by the Elks and also several others selected by Captain Harrison of the Salvation Army. Manager Rose was joined in his generosity by all the employees of the theatre, including ever member of the orchestra. The picture shown, "Through the Back Door," which was the Strand's Christmas feature, will be shown again today and its excellence should insure a packed house at every performance.

KNIGHTS PLAN BIG TIME

Banquet and Initiation on January 20 of Knights of Birmingham Promises to be Successful Affair.

With 60 candidates already signed up and many more in prospect, it is expected that the banquet and initiation of Reddary Cavern, Knights of Birmingham, to be held at the Armory on January 20 will be the most successful affair in the history of the organization. Members of the Eastern Star are planning to feed only 400 members and candidates from Oneonta and vicinity and at least 100 novices will receive the tortures which the committee is planning for their entertainment.

The banquet will be served in the mess hall by the Eastern Star and will be followed by the initiatory rites in the drill hall. Several degree teams have been selected and each will have a large bag of tricks to work on the candidates. Large delegations from Binghamton, Scranton and Cooperstown, as well as many members from smaller vicinity towns, are expected to be present.

"IRISH EYES" TOMORROW NIGHT.

A New Comedy With Songs by Walter Scanlon at Oneonta Theatre.

Walter Scanlon is announced to appear at the Oneonta theatre tomorrow night. It will be the second annual appearance of this famous young tenor and actor whose coming is awaited with more than ordinary interest, especially so, for his first visit to this city last season was an unmistakable hit. He is without question the foremost impersonator of Irish roles in the American stage today, and comes with an entire new program of songs which will be the principal feature of the performance. "Irish Eyes" is reported to be a massive scenic production with a thriller in the shape of a hurricane at sea off the Galway coast, Ireland.

The names of Mr. Scanlon's new song hits are "Blavoureen," "My Galway Rose," "The Road to My Love," "An Irish Song Will Live as long as Life and Love shall last," "Juliet," "Kathleen." Mr. Galt, his manager, has chosen a cast of Broadway players whose names are not unknown to local playgoers to support his young star.

Sent sale today at 10 a. m.

Lutheran Ladies Realize \$27.

At the recent sale of useful and fancy articles held by the Ladies' guild of the Lutheran church, \$27 was realized, although not all of the articles were disposed of.

Let's Dance Tonight

At Central Hotel hall, Milford, Round and square dancing, from 8 till 2 o'clock. Music, Collier's orchestra. Bus leaves Chestnut street corner at 8 o'clock sharp, and will return after dance. advt. 11

Horses.

Another load of 20 farm chunks has just arrived. They are the good kind that will make you money. Also have 20 second-hand horses. Your price is my price. E. L. Foote, Hobart, N. Y. advt. 21

Farmers Everywhere Notice!

Send two dollars for six pounds of best Venezuela Subadilla seed. Kills lice on cattle instantly. City Drug Store, 215 Main street. advt. 21

Books at Special Prices.

A large collection of novels, text books and reference books at a small fraction of their real value. The Oneonta Press, Inc. advt. 21

348. Calumet Gift and Toy shop. advt. 11

FESTIVAL AT ST. MARY'S

Christmas entertainment of Children of the Parish at St. Mary's Hall This Evening.

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Opening song—The Snow Lay on the Ground. Ten boys and ten girls. Greeting. Marjorie Hennessey. Recitation—Robert Hennessey. Piano duet—Sleigh Bells. Alice and Marguerite Hennessey.

Song—Jolly Old St. Nicholas. Mrs. Vallee's class. Mrs. Rose Long, pianist.

Recitation—Delores Deery. Recitation—The Night Before Christmas. Marion Brown.

Piano solo—Jack Brady. Spanish dance. Philippine Conte and Mary Ametrane.

Violin solo. Charles Long. Mrs. Rose Long, pianist.

Recitation—Little Town of Bethlehem. Four girls.

Piano solo—Annette Yager. Song—Winter Fairies. Mary Scott and Elizabeth Busted. Mrs. Rose Long, pianist.

Recitation—Santa Claus' Flight. Pauline Boales.

Recitation—A Letter to Santa Claus. Mary Chiorcelli and Mary Deberta.

Solo—The Rosary. Helen Helne. Mrs. Rose Long, pianist.

Piano solo—Doris Estes. Recitation—Grandma's Mistake. Genevieve Spencer.

Highland Fling dance—Andrea Fallon and Beth LaRue.

Song—Old Pal. Four boys and four girls. Mrs. Rose Long, pianist.

Recitation—What Would You Say? Anna Marino.

Piano solo—Gnome Bells. Veronica Cronin.

Song and Dance—Peggy O'Neill. Blanche Delaney and Irene Glenn.

Recitation—The Night After Christmas. Dorothy McGuinness.

Violin solo—Joseph Kerwin. Mrs. Rose Long, pianist.

Piano duet—Cecilia Waltz. Hennessey sisters.

One-Act play—"Lily's Christmas Tree." Miss Mary Burke's class.

Closing song—Silent Night. Mrs. Rose Long, pianist.

Seven thirty o'clock tomorrow night. St. Mary's hall. Public invited.

LAST FORESTRY EXHIBIT.

Now on Display at Huntington Memorial Library in Oneonta.

The last forestry exhibit to be seen this year in Oneonta has arrived at the Huntington Memorial library, where the two preceding exhibits sent out by the New York State College of Forestry have been studied and enjoyed by large numbers of visitors.

The last exhibit is the most interesting of the series, because it is related directly to the home of the city dweller. It touches the problems of city forestry, such as landscape improvement, and the beautification of home grounds and buildings. The exhibit also contains illustrations of the Ranger school and Sophomore camp, both maintained by the Forestry college at Cranberry lake in the heart of the Adirondacks.

Presents to Fire Department.

The members of the Fire department were pleasantly remembered on Christmas by gifts of several boxes of cigars from appreciative citizens and a \$10 check for the pension fund from W. H. Hoffman. To those contributing the Christmas cheer the firemen desire to extend sincere thanks.

POSTAL EMPLOYEES BUSY

Local Office 'Experienced Greatest Christmas Activity in Its History—Efficient Methods Responsible for Lack of Confusion and Delay.

The Christmas season just passed was the busiest in the history of the local post office, according to Postmaster Charles J. Beams. There was not an employee of the office who was not fatigued when he finished his work on Saturday evening, but all were glad that, despite the quantities of both incoming and outgoing mail and the hustle and bustle, they had cleaned up the work each day and that every letter and parcel received up to late Saturday afternoon had been delivered. A considerable quantity of mail was received late Saturday and Sunday, which was cleaned up Monday morning.

In past years the Monday before Christmas, if the latter came late in the week, has been the busiest day for the post office. This year, however, the rush continued through the week, and it was not until Saturday morning that any decrease in the amount of outgoing mail was noticeable. The sales will probably exceed by several hundred dollars the amount reached in any previous year. According to Mr. Beams, there was an unusually large number of postal cards and Christmas greeting cards mailed, the majority of them going to people in the city. More parcels were insured this year than ever before.

That the office was not swamped by the vast quantity of mail matter that continually flooded it is due to the efficient manner in which Postmaster Beams and his assistants planned their work and worked their plan. Extra men were employed, four to deliver parcel post packages and three for clerical work in the building. Things were systematized, however, and the large amount of work was taken care of without any confusion and consequent delay.

New York Address Desired.

It is the desire of those in charge of the dinner of the former Oneonta Boys now residing in the vicinity of New York to be given at Hotel McApin to have the address of any former residents of this city now making their home in New York or its environs, who have not been identified with the organization. The dinner is to occur on January 13 and the committee requests that the name and address of all such individuals be forwarded to the president, C. C. Swift, at 220 Broadway, St. Paul building, New York city, at the earliest possible date, that an invitation to the dinner may be forwarded. An attractive feast list is being arranged for the dinner and it is planned to make it a most enjoyable affair. The indications are that a large delegation from Oneonta will attend.

School For Postmasters.

Postmaster-elect Frank G. Sherman left yesterday afternoon for New York city, having been requested to report to the postmaster at that city who has arranged for a course of instruction for incoming postmasters in three class cities. This is believed to be an innovation introduced at the suggestion of Postmaster General W. H. Hays and it is to be commended highly as indicative that the department is striving to maintain the service at a high standard and is desirous that the incoming postmasters shall be made conversant with the duties of the office and of the desire to have the service at the highest possible point of efficiency.

Phone cover—C. B. Hill. Phone 15-F24. advt. 11

549. Call at Gift and Toy shop. advt. 11

THE ONEONTA HOTEL

Will Have a New Year's Night Celebration on Saturday, December 31st, to see the Old Year Out and the New Year in.

The success of the Watch Night Party at The Hotel Oneonta is assured by the acceptance of Mabel Corlew, New York's Dramatic Soprano, so well known to all. This will be her only appearance in Oneonta. The evening's entertainment will start at 9 p. m., on account of Sunday being the first of the New Year, so that everyone can enjoy the evening. Dinner will be served promptly at 12:01 a. m., just as the New Year begins.

Kindly make reservations as early as possible, as this is very important to the success of the evening. A charge of \$2.50 per cover.

H. M. STANFORD, Proprietor

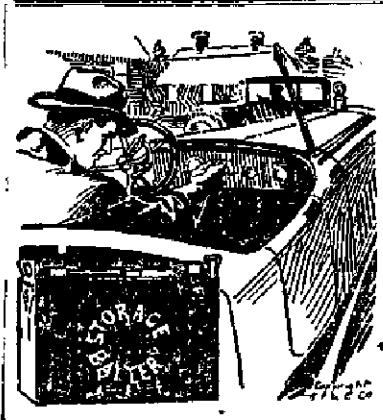
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Prices of all Essex Models, including the New Coach, are reduced as follows:

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Ruth Renick and Elliott Dexter in a scene from the Paramount Picture, "The Witching Hour"

DEATH OF WILLIAM BRINKMAN

Franklin, Dec. 27. — William Brinkman, brother of Dr. G. D. Brinkman, will be laid to rest today. — Former Postmaster and Postmaster of Madison Lodge.

Franklin, Dec. 27. — William Brinkman, for many years a highly respected resident of this village, died Sunday evening at his home on Lower Main street. He had been in failing health for the past three years and his death, which was not unexpected, came peacefully. The funeral will be held Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the late home. Rev. S. E. Sargent, pastor of the Franklin Methodist church will officiate, and burial will be in the Outlook Valley cemetery here.

Mr. Brinkman was born at Catskill on July 8, 1850, but was educated and spent his early life in New York. When the Civil war broke out, he enlisted in October, 1861, and served his country honorably until the close of the war. After receiving his discharge in 1865, he came to Franklin and had resided here ever since. In October, 1869, he married Miss Marion Kingsley, and she was his faithful and loving helpmate throughout these many years. In 1919, they were married the fourth anniversary of their marriage and received the congratulations of their many friends.

Until failing health prevented, Mr. Brinkman took an active part in all community affairs and was generally beloved. In politics, he was a Democrat and during Cleveland's administration served two terms as postmaster of Franklin. He was also a member of Franklin lodge, P. & A. M., and a pastmaster. He was honorable and upright in all his dealings and it was with keen regret and sympathy that the community witnessed his passing in health and subsequent death. In younger days, he was an attendant at the local Congregational church.

Besides his aged widow, Mr. Brinkman is survived by one sister, Mrs. James Darr of Roxbury, and four brothers, Charles Brinkman of Bay City, Mich., Dr. George D. Brinkman of Oneonta, and Lewis and Orlin Brinkman of Franklin.

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Personal

Charles L. Snyder of Oneonta was visiting friends in Binghamton on Tuesday.

Miss Dorothy Baumgardner of Albany, who is visiting in Binghamton, spent Tuesday in Oneonta visiting friends.

Miss Emily C. McNair of New York city is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Arthur M. Coates, of this city.

Everett B. Holmes, who had been in Oneonta for Christmas, returned to New York Tuesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Morrison of Watertown, Pa., are guests at the home of H. S. Coddington on West street.

Miss Laura Tavis, who had been visiting her brother, B. L. Gates, of 27 Buttrick avenue, returned home Tuesday.

Miss Lillian Vrooman of the State Agricultural department at Albany, was at her home in this city over Christmas.

Dr. and Mrs. L. C. Warren and little daughter, Helen, spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Hall of Fifth street.

Miss Pauline Koelle of this city left Tuesday to spend her vacation with her mother, Mrs. J. C. Tripp, at Jamestown.

Miss Lillian Smith of 7 Park avenue, who is attending school at the Central academy, Montclair, N. J., is home for the holidays.

Mrs. Emma Cyphers of Schenectady returned home Monday, after a week-end visit with her son, Frank Cyphers, on West street.

Miss L. B. Butler of Albany returned home Tuesday. She had been a holiday guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Mickle.

Mr. and Mrs. August Tinker of Seward, who had been guests of their niece, Miss Charles R. May, returned home Monday evening.

Mrs. Adolphe Carman of Tonawanda returned home Tuesday after spending Christmas with her sister, Mrs. Benjamin Leff, 812 Cliff street.

Miss Elizabeth Mallock departed last evening to spend a few days of her vacation with her grandfather, Rev. L. A. Wild, at Mt. Upton.

Mrs. Aulson B. Miller of East Greenwich, who had been visiting Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Tappan on Main street, returned home Tuesday.

William Guenther of Middleburgh was a Christmas guest of his mother, Mrs. Julia A. Guenther, and sister, Miss Lizzie Guenther, of this city.

Mrs. Isabel Evans of Binghamton has returned home after spending Christmas at the home of her mother, Mrs. Nora Slavin, Columbia street.

Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Fenlon of Albany, who had been spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Lester A. Hopkins, returned home yesterday.

Barnyard Champ



"Jap Silky" is a proud chicken. But not half as proud as its owner, little Miss Florence Becker, aged two years, "Jap Silky" earned off first prize at the Englewood, N. J., show of "barnyard pets."

Lee, who also had been visiting at the same home, returned last evening to their home in Binghamton.

Mr. and Mrs. M. G. Akers of Detroit, Mich., who for a short time had been guests of their respective parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Akers of East Watertown, and Mr. and Mrs. P. H. King of West Oneonta, left for home Monday evening.

Mrs. E. E. Snyder and Dorothy and Alton Snyder of Oneonta, Mrs. M. E. Gages of Schenectady, Fayette Gross of Rochester, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Pague of Utica and Condon Charles of Boston were Christmas guests at the home of Mrs. Belle Charles, Elm street.

Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Rose of Sidney, Mrs. Norma Hammond and Harry Wheeler of New York city, Mr. and Mrs. Leon M. Barnard and family, Mr. and Mrs. John Perry and Miss Eliza Barnard of Oneonta, were entertained at Christmas by Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Lawson, 18 Spruce street.

MAIN ST. BAPTIST CHURCH.
Church and Sunday School Officers. Elected Last Evening.

At the annual corporate and church meeting of the Main Street Baptist church last evening the following church and Sunday school officers were elected for the coming year:

Church Officers.
Church Clerk—Mrs. A. W. Wildgrave.
Deaconesses—Mrs. M. Alger, Mrs. E. Beams, Mrs. J. Bell, Mrs. L. J. Bookhout, Mrs. E. Beards, Mrs. G. Bost, Mrs. A. E. Ceperley, Mrs. J. Champlin, Mrs. C. Champlin, Mrs. S. Chase, Mrs. W. H. Fox, Mrs. G. Goodby, Mrs. J. May, Mrs. J. S. McNair, Mrs. O. A. Miller, Mrs. B. Moffat, Mrs. C. S. Pendleton, Mrs. G. P. Soden, Mrs. Jennie Safford, Mrs. D. W. Sheldon, Mrs. D. C. Turbox, Mrs. D. O. Webb, Mrs. D. J. Weber, Mrs. H. G. Wheeler.

Choir.—Mrs. Kendall Dunn, Head Voice—Lewis H. Atwell. Auditing Committee—E. L. Townsend, D. J. Ashker, A. E. Ceperley.

Sunday School Officers.
Superintendent—L. J. Bookhout. Assistant Superintendent—Francis C. Huntington. Secretary—Myrtle Rippatrick. Treasurer—Helen DeLaMater. Librarian—E. L. Townsend. Choirmaster—Nathaniel Pennington. Organist—Mrs. Jean Bush. Pianist—Mrs. Guy Fay.

Card of Thanks.
We desire to express our sincere thanks to friends and neighbors for their kindness and sympathy during the illness and death of our brother, Gilbert Baker. Mrs. Julia Baker. Mrs. Sarah VanVoorhes.

Notice.
My wife, Jessie Shuttles, having left my bed and board without just cause or provocation, I hereby forbid anyone trusting her on my account. Charles Shuttles. advt 2t

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GOODENOUGH BARN BURNS.

Monday at about noon the barn on the place of Claude Goodenough on the village road, about midway between the Plattsburgh house and the Plattsburgh farm crossing, was destroyed by fire. The barn, which the contents, Mr. Goodenough had gone fishing through the ice and Mrs. Goodenough, planning to go with their children to a neighbor's down the road for a walk, had gone to the barn and started a fire. The house coming car to within a few feet of the barn when the fire started. It took but a few minutes to burn the barn and when she stepped out of the door to leave she was amazed to see the interior of the barn was in flames. It was then impossible to remove any of the contents. Responding to a call for assistance, the firemen went to the scene, but were unable to do anything toward saving the barn, which had to be abandoned in case the house caught fire. The wind was blowing away from the latter structure, and, though the barn was near, the services of the firemen were not required.

Mr. Goodenough had an insurance of \$500 upon the barn and a small policy upon the car, neither of which was sufficient to cover the loss. There was considerable personal property in the barn valued at about \$100, upon which there was no insurance. Mr. Goodenough estimates his loss above the insurance at about \$1,000.

There is believed to be no need of further explanation of the fire, than that a spark from the exhaust of the engine ignited something inflammable and that it was smoldering until Mrs. Goodenough left the barn and after she returned it developed rapidly and quickly spread over the entire barn. The owner had sufficient timber stored in the barn to flame another building, which timber he had acquired after the barn on the place just below the Glenn bridge burned while he owned it, destroying the motor car which he then owned. He sold that place before he commenced the new barn.

Newsboys Banqueted.
The local carriers of the Binghamton Press, 25 in number, were entertained at a chicken dinner at the Windsor hotel yesterday noon by William Sharpe Kilmer of Binghamton, proprietor of the paper. The affair was under the direct supervision of H. W. Denton of the Oneonta News company and proved highly enjoyable to the boys. In the evening they were entertained at the Oneonta theatre by Manager Ed. R. Moore.

Births.
Born to Mr. and Mrs. Seward Robinson, 7 Franklin street Monday morning, a 9½-pound daughter, who has been named Dorothy J.

Girls Wanted on power sewing machines. Steady work. Inverside Manufacturing company, corner Chestnut street and Ponda avenue. advt. 1t

Im Sweet practical bonesetter, at the Windsor, Oneonta, Jan. 2 Carter Hotel, Norwich, Jan. 5. advt. 1t.

Fancy Birthday apples. \$3.00 per bushel, at Van Buren's. Phone 752. advt. 2t

Twenty-five per cent off on all calendars. Gift and Toy shop. advt. 1t

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One lot of high grade Shirtwaists on sale at \$2.75.

One table of Voile and Lawn Shirt Waists on sale at 79 cents each.

Eighteen Ladies' Suits Left
Former Prices \$15 to \$42.50
Now Your Choice at ONE-HALF PRICE

Twelve Ladies' Coats left at \$5.00 each
Bring this advertisement with you and get any—
\$15.00 Coat for \$11.00
\$20.00 Coat for \$16.50
\$25.00 Coat for \$19.75
\$30.00 Coat for \$25.50
\$35.00 Coat for \$29.50

This offer is for the balance of this week only—Dec. 28, 29, 30, 31. You have to bring this advertisement to get these prices on Coats.

We expect a new lot of those \$2.98 Skirts today



If the hold-up man who stopped F. W. Himburg, West Roxbury, Mass., had known the nature of a police dog he probably would not have molested Himburg. "Stick 'em up!" he commanded as he poked a gun in Himburg's ribs. Batty, the dog, knocked down the bandit who leaped a fence and fled.

RUSSIAN FAMINE AREA IS WIDELY EXTENDED

Intense Suffering Seen on 2,000-Mile Trip Through Steppes and Plains.

The numerical and geographical extent of the great famine cannot be given. There is today and has been as much food available in Samara, for those who have money, as in Baku, on the Caspian sea, 2,000 miles distant. The Russian refugees from Bolshevism in Constantinople are suffering from hunger and lack of clothes almost as much as those Russians in Pottava, and they, in their turn, as much as those in Orenburg.

An Associated Press correspondent completed a journey from Tiflis, Baku, Astrakhan and Samara, and everywhere found intense misery, the most terrible of which was seen in the dreary steppe region between Tiflis (Georgia) and Baku (port of Azerbaijan, on the Caspian sea).

There revolution after revolution for five years has left a trail of destruction and ruined houses and wrecked railway stations which cannot be matched in Russia. Added to the lack of food, is the constant battle with malaria, cholera and typhus.

Begging is rather the exception than the rule everywhere in the famine regions.

In the worst areas there is far more hunger swelling than was seen in Vienna in the winter of 1918. This is the last stage of starvation, and when it comes neither food nor medicine will help.

While there is perfect order in all Russia, on every hand the individual struggle for life, for daily food, is bitter and hard. No one thinks of anyone else. Robbery is limited, as robbers are shot when caught, but trickery in small trading is the rule.

A person invited to a meal will eat twice what good manners would permit. He is lying in a stack of food, sweating up his body, he figures, for the winter cold. These with money are hoarding food. In some places peasants refuse to sell bread at any price. They are afraid of the winter famine.

CARROT LOCKED UP

Grew in a Paddock and Was Found So When Digging Time Came.

When a tiny carrot seed began to sprout in the garden of Roger W. Pierce of Somerville, Mass., last spring, it wondered and wondered at the cold and rusty sides of its bedfellow. When the carrot grew old enough to understand what the grownup vegetables were talking about, he found that his bedfellow was a rusty padlock.

"Locks keep folks from taking things that don't belong to them," Grandfather Beet told him.

"Well, if that's the case, I'll get locked up, so that no one will steal me from the ground," replied the young carrot. The result was that it kept right on growing, and went right through the hump. And when Pierce dug his carrots he found one securely locked up.

Definition.

"What is your idea of a true statesman?"

"A true statesman," replied Senator Sorghum, "is a man who feels the pulse of the people and then prescribes what he honestly believes is good for them instead of prescribing a patent medicine in which he is interested."

Gave It Up, Anyway.

She (pouting)—You said two years ago, before we were married, that you'd go through fire and water for me.

He—I guess you misunderstood me, dear. I probably said I would give up firewater for you, and I did, didn't I?

Had It Before.

"This stage beauty is a haughty creature."

"Her hauteur is not acquired, though."

"No?"

"She was a salesperson before a musical comedy scout found her."

Two or Three.

Country Cousin—Well, I went through your beautiful statehouse today.

City Host—That's nothing to brag about. I know two or three fellows living right here in Boston who've been through it.

BOOKS FOR BLIND JUMP IN DEMAND

Standard and Modern Fiction Is Being Called For.

SUPPLY CUT BY HIGH COST

Committee for Men Blinded in Battle Makes Appeal for Publications of More Books in Raised Type—Average Novel Is Done in Braille for \$10—1,100 Active Readers Use One Library for the Blind in New York.

All over the country an amazing increase is noted by librarians in the demand for books for the blind, according to a recent statement of the secretary of the Committee for Men Blinded in Battle, which makes its headquarters at 111 East Fifty-ninth street, New York, which is making an appeal for the publication of more books in raised type. This, it is pointed out, is not only due to the fact that the United States now has scores of war blind, but also to the growing desire of the blind to make the widest possible use of the public libraries where such books are obtainable free.

The revised Braille, says the committee, generally adopted as a standard two years ago, is beginning to be more widely studied and used by the sightless. Textbooks and educational matter no longer fill almost the entire field of books offered for the blind reader, which was the case at one time. The blind reader now has before him an ever-increasing number of story books of all kinds. The total figure of raised letter books published yearly is placed at approximately 250, and of this number a large percentage now cater to the entertainment of the reader.

Emboldened by the increasing number of titles in the field of modern fiction and verse, appeals have now been made, says the secretary, not only for more Dickens and Walter Scott and Daudet, but also for more Charles M. Schwab and H. C. Witwer. The last named, whose books are replete with modern slang, received a letter the other day written in revised Braille by a blind girl, asking for the early publication in raised letter of his new book, "The Leather Pushers." Mr. Witwer was very much interested and caused his answer to be done into Braille also. "The Mirrors of Washington" has recently been asked for by some who are interested in political gossip, who have read the London prototype of the book.

Revised Braille Widely Used.

It is the opinion of the Committee for Men Blinded in Battle that revised Braille will probably in time supersede all other forms of hand reading in this country, with the exception of one other sort of raised print, which is formed in imitation of the actual English alphabet. For those who lose their sight after they have learned to read this last is, in many cases, the easiest kind of touch letter to learn.

"The blind have a greater interest in libraries than any other class because the distribution of raised letter books is of necessity in most cases free. They are quite costly to make and their circulation is not large. The average popular novel costs about \$10 to produce in Braille, and yet one day recently three of the four copies of a popular novel were out when request was made for it at the library here," said the secretary.

"Miss Lucille Goldthwaite," in charge of the Library for the Blind in the New York Public Library, which has the largest collection of works in the Braille system in the United States, says that there is a tremendous need for more books in raised type for blind readers.

At the Library for the Blind in the big Central building on Fifth avenue, New York, it was said that blind persons read the same kind of books that seeing people read—that is, speaking in quantity, fiction first and other classes following. A popular book, if non-fiction class, like James' "Psychology," is popular, likewise, with blind readers. In the early days of books for the blind the prevalent idea was to try to give them none but religious works, to the exclusion of all other literature. However, as the librarian pointed out, naturally, "they like religious books no more and no less than the rest of us."

The material which the library can buy is very limited. That is to say, the actual amount of material available in Braille is limited. Blind readers are greatly in need of more books of all sorts. It takes three or four big volumes to make one novel the way these raised-type books are printed, which accounts for the high cost, it was pointed out.

1,100 Blind Used Library. Active readers to the number of 1,100 used the Library for the Blind in the Central building during 1920, the circulation of books for the year being 35,807 volumes. The collection contains more than 12,000 volumes printed in the American Braille, Moon, New York point, line letter, revised Braille, grade one and a half, and revised Braille, grade two or European scores, raised for the study of blind music readers, and the library also affords an opportunity for its readers to study all embossed magazines and all magazines in ink print relating to work with the blind.

The Library for the Blind, which is a branch of the circulation department of the New York Public Library, is in room 110 on the first floor of the Central building. It is open to readers on week days from nine o'clock in the morning until five o'clock in the afternoon.

Reading matter may be borrowed by blind persons who are residents of New York city or who live in the state of New York, New Jersey or Connecticut.

cut. Books may be called for at the library or the blind reader may avail himself of a special service which arranges for their being sent free through the mails to the nearest post office or postal station.

The library also has available for the use of residents of New York city a limited number of desk and pocket tablers for writing Braille and New York point types. Alphabet sheets in any type and printed and embossed catalogues of books in the collection also are available for distribution.

The use of this library is reported to be steadily increasing year by year and it is generally in need of books. The collection is maintained largely by a fund left for this purpose by the late Benjamin Stephens. The Library for the Blind is a development of the work of the New York Free Circulating Library for the Blind, which was founded by Richard Randall Ferry in June, 1883, and became a part of the New York Public Library in February, 1903.

MULE DROPS DEAD; KILLS MAN

Stable Boss, Pinned Under Dead Animal, Strangled to Death Before Assistance Comes.

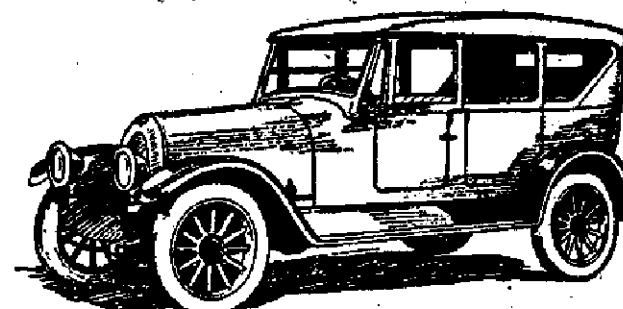
East Liverpool, O.—Ira Hazen, fifty, stable boss, met his death when his favorite mule, growing tired of life, flopped over, and in his fall carried Mr. Hazen down with him. Unable to extricate himself or remove the dead mule from his chest and throat, Mr. Hazen, according to physicians, was strangled to death.

The mule had been ailing for several days, and the stable boss was treating him for some apparently unimportant trouble when the animal, without notice, fell over, carrying Mr. Hazen with him. In the small stall Mr. Hazen had little chance to get out of the dying mule's way.

Maid Sets Fire to Home and Flees. Detroit, Mich.—Angered by criticism of her work, a maid employed in the household of Edward R. Kerwin lit the gas oven one night, piled the silver in it, cut the telephone wires, set fire to a pile of rubbish in the basement and fled. Kerwin awoke in time to save his family from the flames.

Citizens Whip Colored Loafers. Haynesville, La.—Citizens of this place whipped a score of colored men and then told them to get jobs or leave town. This action is said to be the first in a campaign against colored loafers.

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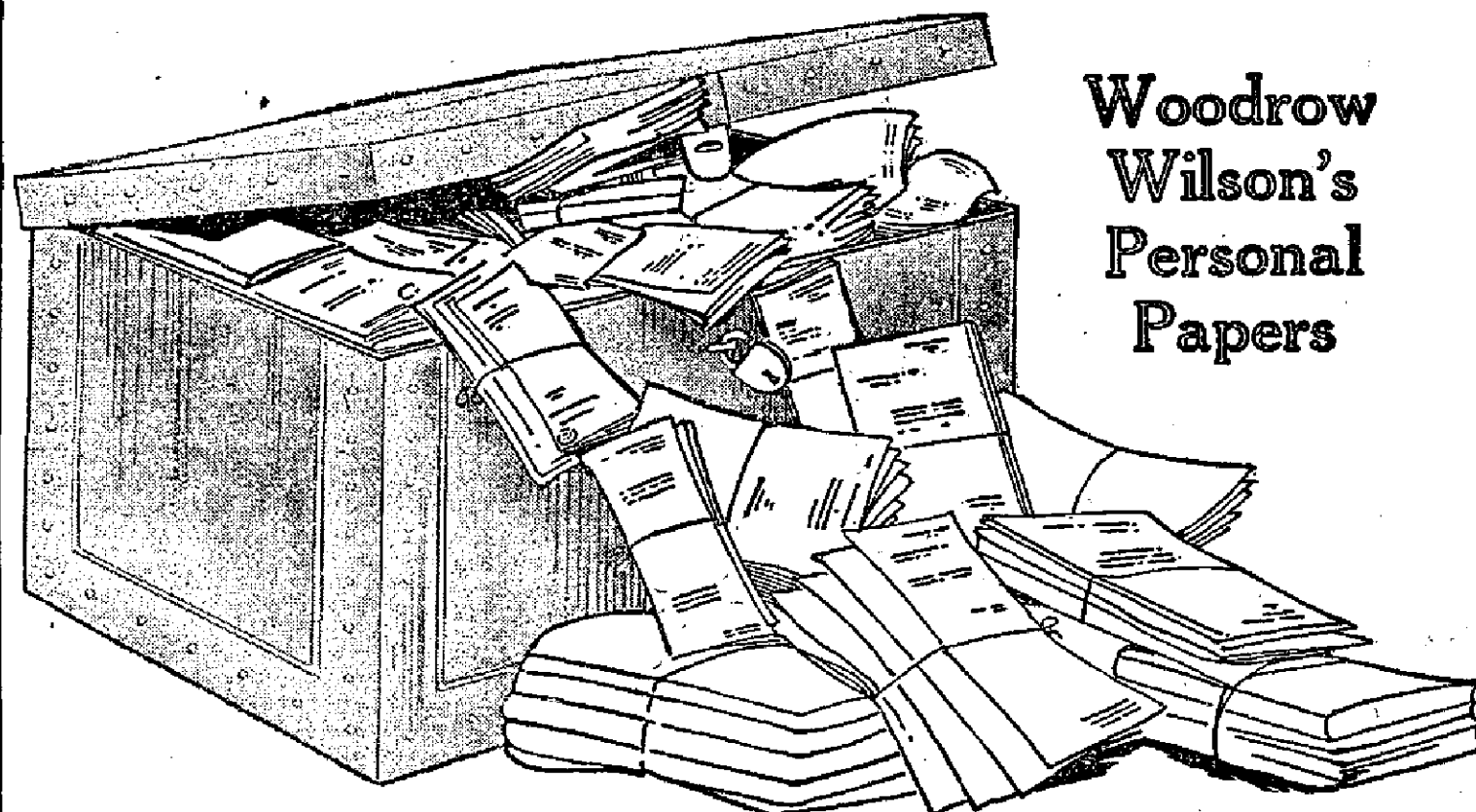
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AMERICAN FOOD MAKES RUSS CHILDREN SMILE

But It Is a Tantalizing Sight to the Older Folks in Petrograd.

Cases of American milk, bags of American sugar and flour and boxes of American cocoa are a tantalizing sight to Russians as they are moved through the streets of Petrograd. All the population is envious of the children who are given food which money cannot buy.

The American relief administration offices in Petrograd are besieged by foreigners and Russians who want to buy food and are anxiously awaiting the time when warehouses may be established in Petrograd, where food drafts may be exchanged for American products now stored here by the child feeders.

One does not have to be in Russia many days before he begins to understand the great affection with which Emma Goldman is reported to have regarded the little store of American bread goods which she brought with her to Sovietland.

Every can of tinned American milk is a letter from home and a tin of bully beef is almost as welcome. American army biscuits taste better than angel food and army jam snacks of heaven.

Where everyone is his own steward and cook, as is the case in Russia now, prepared or partly prepared foods are indispensable. The markets afforded no wood nor coal. There is no hard alcohol.

Cooking is confined largely to little stoves which are so demonstrative that a novice feels as if he were poisoning a hand grenade.

Cakes are few and far between. They are still very small and offer little variety in their menus. Most of them do not open until 11 a. m., and close at 8 p. m. Their coffee and tea are chiefly imitations. Their sweets are saccharine. Sugar is nearly \$1 a pound in the open market.

Improvement Suggested. "That blowout made a terrific explosion."

"Yes," replied Mrs. Chuggins; "but it didn't last long enough. There should be made so that when they burst the noise will last long enough to drown my husband's remarks."

BOILED SHIRT BACK IN RUSSIA

Shoe Polish and Razor Also in Evidence Under Red Rule in Moscow.

Moscow, Russia.—Boiled shirts made their reappearance here at the opening performance of grand opera. There were seven of them. This extremely bourgeois attire was an announcement that starch has arrived in the Moscow markets with the changed economic policy.

The entire audience in the great opera house heralded the advent of a new era in Russia. Seats were sold in the oldtime way. It costs 84,000 rubles to have an excellent seat in the pit or first balcony, and the seats were all full, as well as in the galleries.

The initial opera was Glinka's "Russian and Ludmilla." It was brilliantly staged.

There was a marked difference between the opera crowd this year and that of three years ago. In the opening months of the soviet regime bootshiners of both sexes nearly all wore black leather coats, which they dramatized very heavily at the opera and in all public places.

The absorption of a large bourgeois population and three years of experience in government have changed the dominant party. The members have softened and become more conventional. The percentage of boiled-shirted, masculine-looking women is smaller. Femininity is reassuring itself. Red army soldiers are now generally shaved and have their boots polished.

GROW ONIONS WITHOUT ODOR

Idaho Rancher Develops Seed Brought From Canary Islands—Soon on Market.

Boise, Idaho.—Odorless onions are about to be produced in marketable quantities in southern Idaho, according to a prominent rancher, who has conducted extensive experiments on his ranch near here.

The seed from which the odorless onions grow was first produced in the Canary Islands. A small quantity was brought to America to be shown at the Panama-Pacific exposition at San Francisco.

Just before the exposition closed a few of the seeds were presented to a Boise woman, who placed them in the care of a florist. It is now said that sufficient seed has been produced to justify placing the onions on the market.

Where Your Taxes Go

How Uncle Sam Spends Your Money in Conducting Your Business

By EDWARD G. LOWRY

Author "Washington Close-Up," "Bank and Financial Systems," etc., Contributor to "The Nation," "The New York Times," and a writer of recognized authority on the National Government's business methods.

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XIII.

WHY GOOD MEN DODGE

The government service must look largely to the graduates from colleges and universities in recruiting for its technical work. Replies to an inquiry addressed to some forty of the leading colleges and universities of the country to discover what class of men took civil service examinations, whether the number is decreasing and, if so, the reasons, disclose vividly what the training schools of technical and scientific men think about the government as an employer. They were their graduates against government service, and the graduates heed the warning.

Carnegie Institute of Technology at Pittsburgh, reports:

It is certainly true that the best of our graduates are not interested in government employment because they feel that, first of all, it does not pay adequate salaries, nor does it offer opportunity for advancement that private enterprise does. This spring I interviewed all the members of the graduating class, except the women, and none of them would consider government employment, although there were many positions open. There are now about 1,500 male graduates of the institute, and I will venture to state that not more than ten are employed by the government.

Replies of similar tenor and import were received from the University of Chicago, Leland Stanford University, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Princeton University, Indiana University, and the University of Wisconsin.

Inequality of compensation is one of the chief reasons that deter scientific men from going into the government service. Congress fixes the salaries of most of the government employees. I can give a concrete illustration of how it determines the salaries of scientific men.

Dr. Leland O. Howard and Dr. Edward W. Nelson are two scientists in the employ of the government who have national reputations.

The appropriation bill for the Department of Agriculture was under consideration in the house on January 30th, 1920. The secretary of agriculture had been recommending for five or six years that Doctor Howard's salary be increased from \$4,500 to \$8,000. He proposed it again in that year's bill. When the item was reached in the discussion on the floor, this colloquy ensued:

Mr. Stafford—Mister Chairman, I reserve a point of order on the paragraph is the entomologist whose salary you propose to increase the same person recommended for an increase last year?

Mr. Lever—Yes; he has been in the government service many, many years.

The Chairman—I make the point of order.

Mr. Lever—I concede it.

Mr. McLaughlin of Michigan—Will the gentleman reserve his point of order?

Mr. Stafford—I will reserve it.

Mr. McLaughlin—The committee made the recommendation to increase the salary \$300, took testimony on it and considered it very carefully. In our judgment the increase in salary ought to be made for an official who has been in the department, as the chairman says for a long time at the head of this bureau. He has performed able and faithful services. The salary is less than that paid to the heads of other bureaus. We felt, after listening to all that was said, and with a knowledge of the work he has been doing and has done, the salary proposed is not too large.

Mr. Stafford—How long has he been there?

Mr. Lever—He has been there forty-two years.

Mr. Stafford—What is his age?

Mr. Lever—Over sixty, perhaps nearer seventy, but he is still vigorous and able to do good work. He is one of the greatest entomologists in the world.

The Chairman—The point of order is sustained.

Five minutes later the matter of Doctor Nelson's salary was reached. The secretary of agriculture recommended an increase of his pay from \$3,500 to \$4,000. This happened:

Mr. Stafford—Mister Chairman, I reserve the point of order on the paragraph. Will the chairman of the committee inform the house as to how long this biologist has been in the service of the government and how long he has been receiving the present salary of \$3,500, on which you recommend an increase of \$500?

Mr. Lever—Mister Chairman, this gentleman, whose name is Nelson, has been in the service of the department since November, 1890. He has served as chief field naturalist from 1907 to 1912 and was assistant in charge of the biological investigation, from 1912 to 1914. On August 6, 1914, he was appointed assistant chief of the bureau, and on December 1, 1916, was made chief of the bureau. He took the place of Doctor Henshaw.

Mr. Stafford—And the salary has been \$3,500 since 1916?

Mr. Lever—Yes.

Mr. Stafford—What is his age?

Mr. Lever—I should think that Doctor Nelson is round fifty years of age.

Mr. Stafford—He is not superannuated.

Mr. Lever—Oh, no, he is a very vigorous man.

Mr. Stafford—Mister Chairman, I withdraw the point of order.

Doctor Howard was refused his increase of pay because he was too old, "over sixty, perhaps nearer seventy." Doctor Nelson was allowed his increase because he was not superannuated but in his prime, "round fifty years of age."

Now, as a matter of fact, Doctor Howard is more than two years younger than Doctor Nelson. Is it any wonder that scientific men of any attainments are reluctant to enter a service where the measure of the value of their services is set down in any such haphazard and unfair way?

Not Picking Himself.

"Did you interview many prominent people while you were in Washington?"

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LATEST VICINITY NEWS

Happenings of Current Interest in Nearby Sections of Central New York.

Mrs. Anna C. Henshaw, who was awarded a verdict of \$12,000 against the D. & W. railroad for the death of her husband, who was killed in the fall of 1920 at Binghamton, is now in the federal court, where a recommendation that she be committed to the Binghamton institution for the insane is being considered.

There was a community Christmas tree at Norwich Thursday night, under the auspices of the Norwich Teachers' association. About 50 children joined in the dancing. Many Christmas carols were sung and the holiday spirit was everywhere in evidence.

The officers of the Binghamton league at Cilia are to be enlarged to provide about 2,500 feet additional floor space on each of the four floors.

Norton E. Bundy, manager of the A. & P. store at Norwich, has arrested Thursday afternoon for alleged assault on George Gifford, a local resident for the local light company. There had been trouble between the two men and the present difficulty grew out of a visit to the store while a purchase of his duties on that day.

The congregation of the United Methodist Episcopal church in Binghamton held a meeting to decide on a new site for their church, the former church edifice, in common with the other buildings of the old Binghamton, having been razed to make way for the dam of the New York Water company. The site to be chosen may form a nucleus of a new village.

The federal grand jury last week in court at Utica, asked Judge Connelley to raise the pay from \$2 to \$3 per day, alleging that the former figure is inadequate. Judge Connelley informed the jurors that he had no power to increase the per diem at all.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

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Says Physician.

SWIMMING IS A GOOD ONE

Middle Age Demands Above All Steadiness and Continuity in Its Recreation—Time Is Chief Difficulty in the Way.

London, December 27.—We age in winter and not in summer, the medical correspondent of the London Times writes. The middle-aged man who takes some measure in the way of exercise to correct the deficiency. If they will do this, he says, and devote to a regular routine of winter exercise, they will spare themselves much in later life.

The approach of winter raises once again the question of winter exercise. This is a most difficult subject. For at the very best, winter exercise is most necessary at the time when it is most difficult to obtain. The difficulty for the business man is especially great. He must leave home at an hour which makes early morning exercise practically impossible. When he returns home again it is already growing dark or quite dark. Thus his opportunities for outdoor recreation are practically withdrawn altogether, except at the week-ends.

On the other hand, says the physician, winter is a time of sedentary life. There is no inducement to go out of the office, and people tend to cut down their excursions from their own desks to the lowest point. They sit in warm rooms, which they leave only to go to their meals. All this means a sluggish circulation and sluggish removal of waste products. People, especially middle-aged people, get fat in winter.

Young people are better off, says the writer. The majority of their dance once or twice a week, and manage to get in some vigorous exercise on Saturday and Sunday.

Steadiness for Middle Age.

Middle age demands above all steadiness and continuity in its recreation, he says. There is so much waste to be got rid of every day. If this is allowed to accumulate to the week-end, the tissues of the body become clogged, symptoms of poisoning show themselves, and it is increasingly difficult to get rid of them. Like a piece of machinery that has been allowed to lie unattended, the mechanism of the body deteriorates.

You cannot safely get a piece of machinery going at its top speed, says the physician, and then neglect it for another week, and repeat the process. In everyday language that method is "asking for trouble."

What then is the middle-aged man to do in the coming months? The answer depends to some extent on his temperament. But more important than temperament is determination.

Some men of the physician's acquaintance solve the difficulty by playing a game of squash three or four times a week. They simply "take" the necessary time, and they are fortunate in belonging to clubs which have the necessary accommodation. Other men adopt swimming, and make a point of going to their baths every, or nearly every, afternoon for half an hour.

Time Is the Chief Requisite.

The chief difficulty is time, says the writer. It is often difficult to get away, and often, in cold weather, the tendency is to shirk the exercise. This is a matter which must be left to the individual. It can be said, however, that an hour spent in this way is never an hour wasted; on the contrary, it may save many an hour of ill-health in later months. Moreover, the healthy glow of the vigorous man after his exercise is a better thing than the artificial warmth of the man who refuses to quit his office desk.

A more simple and also much less expensive method is to exercise at home. There is nothing to be said against physical exercise of this kind, except that it is apt to be very monotonous. Generally speaking, monotonous exercise is far less beneficial than that which can stir an element of interest, for the reason that man is an intelligent being and not a machine, the writer asserts. You can never "whip" all his faculties to activity by means of a code of muscular movements. The thrill of the game is necessary to this purpose.

Yet some men are so constituted that they need interest in their recreation far less than others, the physician declares. These do very well on a short period of training each morning, and often show a remarkable determination in keeping it up.

The point is that if exercise is kept up during the week, it can safely and advantageously be intensified at the week-end. Thus, a vigorous round of golf on Saturday or Sunday will yield not exhaustion, but exhilaration.

Bane Love-Making in Schools. Tacloban, Province of Leyte, P. I.—Love-making in the schools of Tacloban has been made unlawful. The purpose of the ordinance, according to officials, is to stop courting in the schools, not only between the pupils, but between the teachers and pupils, who, it is asserted, have neglected their duties.

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CHRISTMAS AT WEST END

In both Churches and Homes, Annual Event Joyously Celebrated. Many Family Dinner Parties and Christmas Trees.

In both churches and homes, Christmas was joyously celebrated at West End. Perhaps never before were there so many family dinner parties and guests from out of the city. The Sunday church services were largely attended and the Christmas spirit prevailed everywhere.

"The Shepherd's Story," a Christmas cantata, was given Sunday evening at the Elm Park church by an angel choir, and was well received. Rev. J. C. Johnson, the pastor, preached a Christmas sermon at the morning service, and there was appropriate music by the choir.

At the Plains church last night, an illustrated lecture entitled "The Shepherds That Arrived" was given under the direction of Rev. C. C. Volz, the pastor. There was a large number of beautifully colored stereoscopic slides, and the Christmas story was much enjoyed. A Christmas tree followed the entertainment and evidently was enjoyed as much by the older folks as by the children.

The Family Parties.

The culinary art never was exemplified to a greater degree than in the Christmas dinners prepared by West End's enterprising housewives. At all the Christmas family parties, without exception, the dinner was the principal "number" on the program. In some instances, Christmas trees were enjoyed during the afternoon, and in all there was much social enjoyment.

Among those who entertained parties of relatives and friends were: Mrs. Rosa F. Hubbard, who had 22 relatives and friends as her guests, among them Miss Irene McFarland of Brooklyn; Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Powell of 250 Chestnut street, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer C. Allen of 376 1/2 Chestnut street, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Sargent of 205 Chestnut street, and Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Noble of 1 Morgan avenue.

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Rev. Ambrose J. Cook.

The funeral of the Rev. Ambrose J. Cook will be held Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the Bert J. Dibble funeral home, 40 Main street, Binghamton. The services will be in charge of the ministers of the Binghamton Conference in the Binghamton district, under the supervision of Dr. E. L. Martin, district superintendent. The body will be taken Thursday morning to Wyndham, Pa., for burial.

Edward Risley Promoted.

Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Risley of Harwick have just received notice that their son, Edward C. Risley of the Eleventh Regiment Band, Fort-Arthur, Haiti, has passed the examination and has been raised to the rank of sergeant and assistant director. It is less than a year since he enlisted.

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